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Re: Response to ICF Technology Comments on the Solar Ponds Technical

Memorandum 1: Vadose Investigation

Dear Randy:

I am enclosing a memo prepared by Frank Blaha and Ann Sieben regarding our response to the comments submitted by ICF Technology (ICF) for the Solar Ponds Technical Memorandum (TM) 1: Vadose Investigation.

We believe, in summary, that ICF failed to appreciate the context in which the TM was prepared. ICF did not review the Solar Pond Phase 1 RFI Work Plan or the Interagency Agreement (IAG), both elements of which are integral to the overall program. ICF has presented a generic description of Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study Requirements and has drawn conclusions without the benefit of understanding the overall program.

The attached memo details the rationale for the TM and explains the context relative to the IAG and the Phase 1 RFI/RI Work Plan. The TM was reviewed and conditionally approved by both agencies. We remain confident that activities proposed in the TM are technically and programmatically sound, and that these activities will serve to provide a beginning basis for achieving consensus with the agencies for In-Place Closure Options for the Solar Ponds.

We appreciate all comments and independent review of documents we have prepared, and are happy to incorporate all revisions and suggestions, where appropriate. Please feel free to have ICF personnel call me should they have any questions.

Sincerely,

Applied Environmental Consulting, Inc.

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